The ideal OPTIONS student is one who

- * has been successful in inclusive classrooms throughout his or her public school career
- * has completed high school with either a degree or a certificate of completion
- * wants to continue taking academic classes for personal enrichment
- * has a demonstrated strength in one or more academic areas
- * can get around campus independently and has some ability to follow a schedule
- * has a disability that prevents regular admission to a college or university

* has an interest in participating in social activities on campus.
OPTIONS is a tuition-based program

minimum of 12 credits per semester.

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students.

Please Note: The courses in this program are not eligible for public school funding as they are not intended to meet the needs of students still pursuing high school completion.

For additional information or to arrange an appointment for an admission interview, please contact

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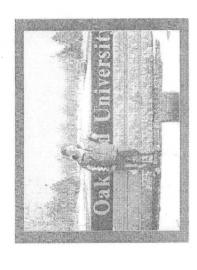
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The OPTIONS Program at Oakland University is designed to provide a fully inclusive, age appropriate post-secondary education experience for students with mild cognitive disabilities.

Through a combination of classes specific to each student's individual learning needs, regular university courses, student organizations, social events, and wellness and recreation activities, students with mild disabilities are able to continue their academic education in a college setting.



Students will learn social skills that will help them in the job market; however, the OPTIONS program does not provide vocational training and it should not be considered a substitute for any of the many fine vocational education programs

available to students whose primary goal is employment after high school.



OPTIONS is intended for students who have an interest in continuing their academic coursework beyond high school. Students in the program are enrolled at the university as tuition paying Continuing Education Students. They audit at least two regular university classes each semester and enroll in specialized classes to meet their individual needs. Academic and social support is provided for each student by OPTIONS staff members as well as other university staff and faculty and peer mentors.

Students interested in admissions to the OPTIONS Program need to provide the following to the admissions committee:

- * a recommendation from a school transitions planning team or an agency support coordinator
 - * a copy of the Exit IEP or Person Centered Plan * a high school transcript
- * a completed Application for Admission to Continuing Education Status at OU

After the admissions committee review, an in-person interview is required.



Students enrolled in the OPTIONS
Program are encouraged to have or establish a relationship with a provider agency of the Oakland County Community Mental Health Authority.